

VISIT...

LANZAROTE
Caliente.COM

DARK X-MEN



RATED T+



\$3.99 US

WWW.MARVEL.COM

CORNELL

KIRK

LEISTEN

REBER

PREVIOUSLY...

When Norman Osborn became Director of the national peacekeeping organization H.A.M.M.E.R., he found himself in need of a means for policing America's mutant population and thus recruited his own team of X-Men to be the face of law and order for mutantkind.

Tasking his X-Men with investigating a series of strange occurrences in which humans were falling into a trance-like state and calling themselves "X-Men," Osborn sends his team to interrogate one of the victims. However, upon coming into contact with him, Mimic and Omega find themselves overwhelmed by explosive mutant energy, leaving Mystique—in the shape of Jean Grey—and Dark Beast to confront the one responsible: Nathan Grey, X-Man.

Writer: Paul Cornell
Penciler: Leonard Kirk
Inker: Jay Leisten
Colorist: Brian Reber
Letterer: Rob Steen
Cover Artist: Simone Bianchi with Simone Peruzzi
Production: Damien Lucchese
Associate Editor: Daniel Ketchum
Editor: Nick Lowe
Editor in Chief: Joe Quesada
Publisher: Dan Buckley
Executive Producer: Alan Fine

DARK X-MEN No. 2, February, 2010. Published Monthly by MARVEL PUBLISHING, INC., a subsidiary of MARVEL ENTERTAINMENT, INC. OFFICE OF PUBLICATION: 417 5th Avenue, New York, NY 10018. © 2009 Marvel Characters, Inc. All rights reserved. All characters featured in this issue and the distinctive names and likenesses thereof, and all related indicia are trademarks of Marvel Characters, Inc. No similarity between any of the names, characters, persons, or other institutions in this magazine with those of any living or dead person or institution is intended, and any such similarity which may exist is purely coincidental. \$3.99 per copy in the U.S. (GST #R127032802) in the direct market and \$3.99 per copy in the U.S. and \$3.99 in Canada (GST #R127032802) through the newsstand. Canadian Agreement #40668537. Printed in the USA. ALAN FINE, CEO Marvel Publishing Division and EVP & GM of Marvel Characters B.V.; DAN BUCKLEY, Chief Executive Officer and Publisher - Print, Animation & Digital Media; JIM SOKOLOWSKI, Chief Operating Officer; DAVID GARRETT, SVP of Publishing Sales & Operations; DAVID BOGART, SVP of Business Affairs & Talent Management; MICHAEL PASCUOLO, VP of Merchandising & Consumer Products; JIM OKTEFE, VP of Operations & Logistics; SHAN CARR, Executive Director of Publishing Technology; JUSTIN F. GABRYE, Director of Publishing & Editorial Operations; SUSAN CRESPI, Editorial Operations Manager; ALEX MORALES, Publishing Operations Manager; STAN LEE, Chairman Emeritus. For information regarding advertising in Marvel Comics or on Marvel.com, please contact Ron Soth, VP of Business Development, at ron@marvel.com. For Marvel subscription inquiries, please call 800-217-9158.

To find Marvel Comics at a local comic shop, call 1-888-COMICBOOK.

MOM?
CAN YOU HEAR
ME?

IT'S ME,
NATE!

I'M
TRYING TO
GET HOME.

YOU
HAVE TO
KNOW... THAT
MAN STANDING
THERE--

THAT'S
NOT THE
REAL HENRY
MCCOY!

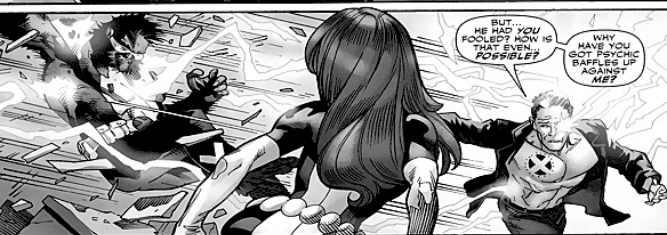
MATIGUL
SHAPESHIFTER.
RUBY TUESDAY.

BECKHAM
BESTIAL BIOLOGIST.
THE MIDNIGHT RAMBLER.

WOLFEK, GRIFFITHMAN
WEAR OMNIPOTENT.
JUMPING JACK FLASH.

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE GOBLIN

Part Two





"THE POWER THAT THE OTHER
TWO ARE FEEDING ON--"

OMEGA
DRAINS MUTANT POWERS.
TUMBLING DICE.

"HAS JUST
CUT OUT."

MIMIC
MIMICS MUTANT POWERS.
YOU CAN'T ALWAYS GET WHAT YOU WANT.

OMEGA!

AAAAHHHHH!!

INVENTORY
OF ITEMS
DESTROYED
BY OMEGA:

NEARLY
GOT YOU!

SORRY!

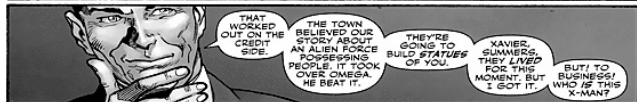
FWA-BLAMMM

#3: MEMORIAL BANDSTAND
AND SUNDIAL.



WELL...

NORMAN OSBORN.
OUR TITLE STAR. WE'LL GET TO THAT.
A MAN OF WEALTH AND TASTE.



THAT
WORKED
OUT ON THE
CREDIT
SIDE.

THE TOWN
BELIEVED OUR
STORY ABOUT
AN ALIEN FORCE
POSSESSING
PEOPLE. IT TOOK
OVER OMEGA.
HE BEAT IT.

THEY'RE
GOING TO
BUILD STATUES
OF YOU.

XAVIER,
SUMMERS,
THEY LIVED
FOR THIS
MOMENT. BUT
I GOT IT.

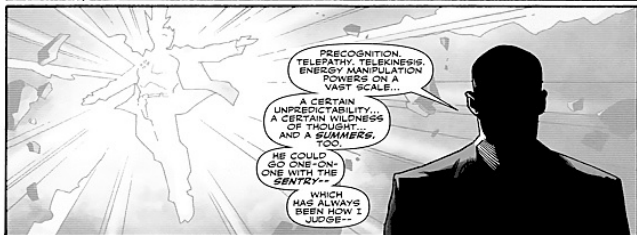
BUT! TO
BUSINESS!
WHO IS THIS
X-MAN?



HE'S
FROM THE
SAME ALTERNATE
REALITY AS
DR. MCCOY.

HE STYLES
HIMSELF AS A
"MUTANT SHAMAN,"
IDENTIFYING
ENTIRELY WITH
THAT CAUSE.

WHICH
WOULD NORMALLY
MAKE ME KEEN
TO BRING HIM
ONBOARD.
HOWEVER--



PRECOGNITION.
TELEPATHY. TELEKINESIS.
ENERGY MANIPULATION
POWERS ON A
VAST SCALE...

A CERTAIN
UNPREDICTABILITY...
A CERTAIN WILDNESS
OF THOUGHT...
AND A SUMMERS,
TOO.

HE COULD
GO ONE-ON-
ONE WITH THE
SENTRY--

WHICH
HAS ALWAYS
BEEN HOW I
JUDGE--





MICHAEL,
WAIT!

THIS IS
RIDICULOUS!



OSBORN
WANTS US TO
DO THAT?

HE'S GOT
FAR TOO MUCH
FAITH IN US!

WELL--



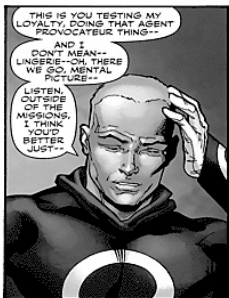
HE IS
OUT OF HIS
MIND.

BUT
DON'T YOU THINK
X-MAN IS, WELL...
IMPRESSIVE?

DON'T YOU
THINK HE OFFERS
US ALL SOME NEW
ALTERNATIVES?

DOING THIS
LETS US GET
CLOSER TO HIM, TO
COMMUNICATE
WITH--

OH NO...



THIS IS YOU TESTING MY
LOYALTY, DOING THAT AGENT
PROVOCATEUR THING--

AND I
DON'T MEAN--
LINGERIE--OH, THERE
WE GO, MENTAL
PICTURE--

LISTEN, OUTSIDE
OF THE
MISSIONS,
I THINK
YOU'D
BETTER
JUST--



NOT
TALK TO ME,
OKAY?





"EXTREME."

H.A.M.M.E.R. PSI-DIVISION

WHILE
OSBORN SORTED
OUT THE MUTANT
AND SUPER HERO
PROBLEM--

--HE GAVE
ME FREE REIN
TO DEAL WITH
THE MATTER
OF PSI.





ELSEWHERE

HE'S SUDDENLY
AWARE AGAIN, IN THE
MINDSCAPE OF HUMANITY.
HE KNOWS HIS *NAME*.

HE'S IN GREAT PAIN.
BUT HE EMBRACES IT.
IT WILL MAKE HIM *REAL*.

HE KNOWS SOMETHING'S
WRONG, IN THE WAKING WORLD
OF PHYSICS AND TIME.

IT FEELS LIKE HIS
MOTHER'S IN DANGER.

SO: EVERYTHING
THAT HURTS IS *HIM*.

EVERYTHING THAT
DOES NOT, IS *NOT*.

HE WAS HIS PEOPLE'S
GREATEST HOPE.

HE WILL BE *AGAIN*.

HE IS COMING BACK
INTO THE WORLD--

AND HE WILL
NOT GIVE IN.















I WANTED TO
WATCH WHAT WAS
HAPPENING INSIDE
THE HUMAN UNCONSCIOUS,
AND I NEEDED A
PSYCHIC'S BRAIN
TO DO IT.

I
WARN
YOU...

IT MAKES
DISTURBING
VIEWING.





WHAT
HAVE YOU
DONE?!

**NEXT: SHAMAN, HERO,
MUTANT... KING?**

NEXT ISSUE



X-Factor returns to New York City!
THEIR FIRST CASE:
FIND THE
Invisible
Woman!



PETER DAVID • BING CANSINO

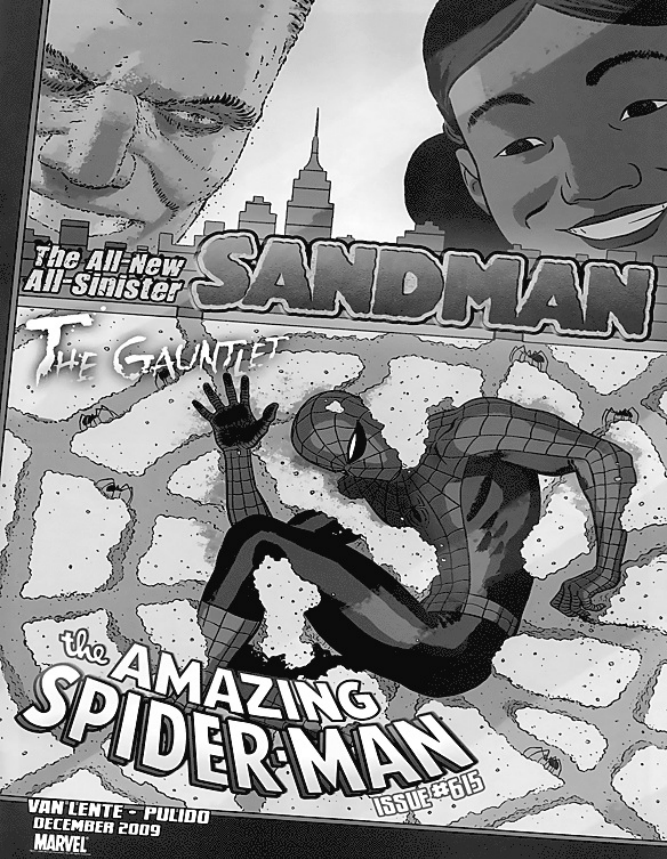
X-FACTOR

COVERS BY ESAD RIBIC
DAVID YARDIN • KEVIN MAGUIRE

200

MARVEL

DECEMBER
2009



The All-New
All-Sinister

SANDMAN

THE GAUNTLET

the
**AMAZING
SPIDER-MAN**

ISSUE #615

VAN LENTE - PULIDO
DECEMBER 2009
MARVEL

THE FINAL

FAITH OF

LUKE CAGE



NEW AVENGERS

BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS • STUART IMMONEN

ISSUE #60

MARVEL

DECEMBER 2009





MEGANUBIS

MINUTEMEN SCANS